NORTHEAST DISTRICT COUNCIL

Thursday, February 7, 2013
7:00 to 9:00 p.m.
Wedgwood Presbyterian Church (8008 – 35th Ave. NE)

Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to Order: Gabrielle Gerhard @ 7:05

Introductions:

Members present: Steve Wilkins, Nancy Bolin, Sue Hildreth, John Adams, Jeannie Hale, Matt Hoehnen, Peter Zimmerman, Per Johnson, Kelly Tremblay, Gabrielle Gerhard Excused Absence: n/a

<u>Guests:</u> CM Sally Bagshaw, Dongho Chang, SDOT Traffic Engineering; Clint Loper, NE Seattle Greenways; Eli Goldberg, U-District Greenways; Cathy Tuttle, Seattle Greenways; Kevin O'Neill, SDOT Bicycle Master Plan; Andres Soloman, NE Greenways; SU Students: Dominic Evans, Lauren Cutright, Anna Wilson, Chelsea Smith, Leighton Bareng; VRCC: Neale Weaver, Bob Lucas; Signe Gilson, CleanScapes <u>Staff</u>: Jenny Frankl, Neighborhood District Coordinator, Department of Neighborhoods

Secretary for the night: Susan Hildreth, University Park Community Club

<u>Approval of Minutes:</u> Motion was made by <u>Jeannie Hale</u> to approve the minutes of the January 3, 2013 meeting. **Motion carried**

Agenda Item (Couple of sentences for each of the items)

- CNC Report: January 28, Gabrielle and Tony attended. Citywide Transit Community Strategy, input not accepted. Positions open on Seattle Planning Commission. "Transit oriented centers", "Transit communities", "nodes". All potentially overlay, override neighborhood plans. Needs clarification before going to council because potentially overreaching.
- Neighborhood Greenways Panel Discussion:
 - Dongho Chang, SDOT Traffic Engineering; Clint Loper, NE Seattle Greenways;
 Eli Goldberg, U-District Greenways; Cathy Tuttle, Seattle Greenways; Kevin
 O'Neill, SDOT Bicycle Master Plan; Andres Soloman, NE Greenways
 - Watched video on Portland's neighborhood greenways.
 - Kelly (Matthews Beach): relationship to Feet First map? Taking another step to change infrastructure (to remove barriers, add more signage). Tony: "Sharrows" versus dedicated bike lanes? City is moving toward greater separation. Sue Hildreth (UPCC): Bikes and pedestrians don't mix, need to get bikes off the sidewalks, need to invest in bridge across freeways. Freeway bridge \$16,000,000 or so.
 - Councilmember Sally Bagshaw: Bicycle facilities getting new focus across US and best practices are being discovered. Volunteers are the engine. Momentum building. \$150,000/mi for paint and signing. Signal adds another \$150,000.
 Speed bumps \$2000 each. Form Local Improvement Districts?

Housekeeping

- Neighborhood Matching Fund Large Project Fund. Changes in process. Fewer meetings—from 13 to 4 or 5 (with combined District Council Review and Citywide Review open houses). New and earlier application deadline. Looking for volunteers to be on teams.
- Per Johnson: apply for grant to come up with an integrated NE District Transportation Study (versus individual by Children's Hosp, City, neighborhood groups)? He needs individuals from neighborhood groups to join the effort in next couple weeks
- CleanScapes Neighborhood Waste Reduction Rewards competition coming. Waste reduction (versus recycling). \$50,000 for projects in winning neighborhood, which is "Wednesday North"—Wedgewood, Meadowbrook, Inverness and View Ridge.

Round Robin

 Kelly (Matthews Beach) interested in platforms and resources for improving websites that tie their neighbors/group together. Other groups will share info.

Decisions Made or Actions Taken:

Announcements:

The meeting was adjourned at 9.05pm.